1	2	3
Russia	16518	20065
Tanzania Rep.	92354	68427
Turkey	1763	462
Ukraine	26972	36727
Uzbekistan	427	751
USA	230604	115459
Others	61472	21775
TOTAL	2952035	2142464

100 days programme

3706. SHRI SABIR ALI:
SHRI MOHAMMED ADEEB:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the 100 days programme of the Ministry;

(b) what other programmes would be taken up after 100 days period; and

(c) the steps being taken to ensure full utilization of current year's budget?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) and (b) This Ministry has not drawn up any specific programme for implementation of the 100 days programme.

However, the programmes which are being taken up for implementation by this Ministry include making available foodgrains/sugar/edible oil etc. to public, particularly for people below poverty line and also include creation of additional storage capacity, financial assistance to States/UTs for curbing leakage/diversion of foodgrains meant for public distribution system and capacity building of PDS officials, setting up of Village Grain Banks etc.

Besides, consultations with the related Central Ministries and State Governments are also underway in respect of the proposed National Food Security Act.

(c) Appropriate monitoring mechanism has been put in place to monitor the implementation of these programmes through monitoring and quarterly expenditure plan which would ensure full utilization of budget.

Procurement of wheat by FCI in Punjab and Haryana

3707. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the quantity of wheat procured by FCI in Punjab and Haryana this summer;

(b) whether it is a fact that FCI has started moving out fresh stocks of wheat to consuming States ignoring "first in, first out" norm;

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) what is the quantity of old stocks of wheat still lying with FCI?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) In Punjab and Haryana, 107.19 lakh tonnes and 69.12 lakh tonnes of wheat was procured by Food Corporation of India (FCI) and State Agencies respectively during Rabi Marketing Season 2009.10.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. A quantity of 4.05 lakh MT wheat was moved by FCI from Punjab during RMS 2009-10 directly from the mandies in order to clear glut in the mandies. FCI, thus, saved an amount of approximately Rs. 5 crores by avoiding double handling. This movement was also necessitated due to acute shortage of space, otherwise the stocks would have been stored in unscientific storage spaces. Further, a quantity of 1.17 lakh MTs wheat was moved out from covered spaces for creating space for receiving rice in KMS 2009-10. Similarly, during the peak purchase period (1.4.2009 to 10.5.2009), some fresh stocks from mandies were dispatched from Haryana in order to evacuate stocks from mandies due heavy arrivals.

(d) The old wheat stocks held by FCI in Haryana and Punjab as on 30.06.2009 is as below:

(in LMTs)

Year	Haryana	Punjab
2007-08	0.26	0.09
2008-09	4.95	2.38

Stock of wheat and rice

3708. SHRIMATI BRINDA KARAT: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the available stock of wheat and rice in the country at present;

(b) the quantity of stock considered to be good enough from the food security point of view;

(c) the plan of action to achieve the same; and

(d) if surplus, what Government intends to do with surplus stock?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) The stock position of foodgrains in the Central Pool as on 01.07.2009 was 329.22 lakh tons of wheat and 196.16 lakh tons of rice.